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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Group Art Unit: 3162
David F. Bliss et al Examiner: M. Song
Application Serial No. 10/083,613
Filed: 26 February 2002
For: FORMING IMPROVED METAL NITRIDES

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Amendment After Final Under 37 CFR 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated 9-17-04, finally rejecting claims 1-14, in the above identified application, it is respectfully requested that the following amendment be entered since it places the application in condition for allowance, or in better form for appeal.

Accordingly, applicants pending claims are as listed below.